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CALF CROP

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CURRENT CROP RECORDS

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CALF CROP UP 2 PERCENT

A calf crop of 41,819,000 head is expected for the United States in 1963--2 percent more than the 1962 calf crop of 41,026,000 head and the largest since 1955, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

The larger calf crop in 1963, compared with the previous year, is the result of more cows and heifers on farms. There were 48,690,000 head of cows and heifers 2 years old and older January 1, 1963, up 3 percent from the 47,472,000 head January 1, 1962.

The number of calves born and expected to be born in 1963 expressed as a percent of the cows and heifers 2 years old and older January 1, 1963 is 86 percent, the same as a year earlier. This percentage is not strictly a calving rate because the January 1 inventory of cows and heifers 2 years old and older does not include all heifers that give birth to calves during the year and includes some cows that die or are slaughtered before calving.

NORTH CENTRAL STATES

The East North Central States, except Illinois, show smaller calf crops for 1963 than in 1962. All States in the West North Central region expect larger calf crops this year, except Iowa which is down slightly. Of the North Central States, Kansas shows the largest increase, up 6 percent, followed by North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska with increases of 5, 4, and 3 percent, respectively.

SOUTHERN STATES

In the South Atlantic region, Florida, Georgia, and Virginia expect larger calf crops. No change is indicated in the calf crops for North and South Carolina, but West Virginia, Maryland and Delaware are down from a year earlier.

Every State in the South Central region expects a larger calf crop in 1963. Texas has the largest increase, up 7 percent, followed by Oklahoma, Kentucky and Tennessee.

WESTERN STATES

The 1963 calf crop is expected to be larger in 8 of the Western States, smaller in Utah and Nevada, and unchanged in New Mexico. Montana shows the biggest gain, increasing 6 percent, and Wyoming is up 4 percent.

NORTH ATLANTIC STATES

All States in this region expect a smaller 1963 calf crop except New Hampshire which is unchanged.

Calf crop, 1962 and 1963, by States

State	Cows and heifers 2 yrs. & older January 1			Calves born as percent of cows and heifers 2 1/2 January 1 1/		Calves born 2/			
	5 - year					5 - year			1963 as
	average :	1962 :	1963 :	1962 :	1963 :	average :	1962 :	1963 :	% of
	1957-61 :					1957-61 :			1962
	1,000	1,000	1,000			1,000	1,000	1,000	
	head	head	head	Percent	Percent	head	head	head	Percent
Maine	117	115	113	83	82	98	95	93	98
N. H.	63	61	61	87	87	53	53	53	100
Vt.	296	291	288	85	84	250	247	242	98
Mass.	108	103	102	83	81	89	85	83	98
R. I.	17	15	14	82	80	13	12	11	92
Conn.	106	96	92	81	82	85	78	75	96
N. Y.	1,445	1,439	1,425	85	83	1,222	1,223	1,183	97
N. J.	148	141	137	81	81	118	114	111	97
Pa.	1,084	1,088	1,076	87	84	932	947	904	95
Ohio	1,061	1,014	997	86	84	902	872	837	96
Ind.	853	825	820	87	86	746	718	705	98
Ill.	1,360	1,324	1,328	88	89	1,191	1,165	1,182	101
Mich.	860	821	821	87	84	725	714	690	97
Wis.	2,559	2,537	2,569	91	89	2,303	2,309	2,286	99
Minn.	1,777	1,818	1,830	88	88	1,582	1,600	1,610	101
Iowa	1,943	1,953	1,967	91	90	1,791	1,777	1,770	100
Mo.	1,841	1,943	2,005	89	88	1,657	1,729	1,764	102
N. Dak.	961	983	1,032	91	91	863	895	939	105
S. Dak.	1,529	1,597	1,655	93	93	1,398	1,485	1,539	104
Nebr.	1,827	1,919	1,941	91	92	1,655	1,746	1,795	103
Kans.	1,553	1,761	1,859	90	90	1,373	1,585	1,673	106
Del.	36	32	33	82	76	29	26	25	96
Md.	283	280	278	83	82	239	232	228	98
Va.	748	789	795	84	84	630	663	668	101
W. Va.	307	304	297	85	84	257	258	249	97
N. C.	520	505	504	78	78	407	394	393	100
S. C.	312	302	308	78	77	240	236	237	100
Ga.	768	766	772	80	80	616	613	618	101
Fla.	975	942	1,009	72	72	642	678	726	107
Ky.	1,054	1,177	1,241	90	88	951	1,059	1,092	103
Tenn.	1,018	1,110	1,162	87	86	883	966	999	103
Ala.	945	951	977	81	79	760	770	772	100
Miss.	1,290	1,214	1,229	76	77	965	923	946	102
Ark.	821	803	828	81	80	654	650	662	102
La.	1,124	1,122	1,123	78	79	875	875	887	101
Okla.	1,644	1,886	1,948	85	87	1,405	1,603	1,695	106
Texas	4,675	5,100	5,508	85	84	3,926	4,335	4,627	107
Mont.	1,190	1,222	1,286	91	92	1,076	1,112	1,183	106
Idaho	601	641	657	90	89	539	577	585	101
Wyo.	569	581	591	88	90	503	511	532	104
Colo.	887	942	979	90	88	784	848	862	102
N. Mex.	653	712	718	84	83	548	598	596	100
Ariz.	401	420	423	79	80	312	332	338	102
Utah	354	378	372	86	86	304	325	320	98
Nev.	286	286	283	80	80	224	229	226	99
Wash.	535	589	609	90	88	474	530	536	101
Oreg.	701	742	757	86	85	607	638	643	101
Calif.	1,743	1,739	1,775	88	88	1,509	1,530	1,562	102
48 States	45,955	47,379	48,594	86	86	39,402	40,960	41,752	102
Alaska	---	4.6	4.5	80	84	---	3.7	3.8	103
Hawaii	---	89	91	70	69	---	62	63	102
U. S.	---	47,472	48,690	86	86	---	41,026	41,819	102

1/ Not strictly a calving rate. Figure represents calves born expressed as percentage of the number of cows and heifers 2 years old and over on farms and ranches January 1.

2/ Calves born before June 1 plus the number expected to be born after June 1.